

May 2023 Commission Minutes

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 1, 2023

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager and Members Ruth E. Koehler and Ralph E. Mannix, Jr.

Jake Nerth and Rob Koelzer were in for a discussion about Berg Pit. Planner Cooley and GIS O'Toole were also in. Zoning the permit is a time constraint. They wish to amend the permit and then reclaim the counties portion to expand the permitted area. Unfortunately expanding the pit requires a CPU. Amanda said if they start using the original pit first, they can work within the existing pit until they get the proper permits. Amanda will try to fast trac this a little by having an extra Planning Board meeting by mid-May, then they could possibly get a new permit in 30 days. They will also explore the use of a limited use permit to get started earlier.

Jennifer Spring, Nicole Johnson, Rand Dickson, Gavin Roselles, and Tony Pfaff were in. Jennifer gave a review of the financials, Rand said they are fully staffed and not running any overtime.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 2, 2023

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager and Members Ruth E. Koehler and Ralph E. Mannix, Jr.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Bo Walker stopped in and Ken Hosford stopped in to discuss belly-dump trucks.

Grace Foster came in to have the Commissioners to sign the deed for the sale of the old hospital.

Claims against the County were examined, approved and ordered paid by the Board of Commissioners for the month of May 2023, warrant #69660 - #69691 were issued and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

Michelle Edmunds from Westaff and Heather Gregory were in on a personal issue.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 3, 2023

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager and Members Ruth E. Koehler and Ralph E. Mannix, Jr.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 15, 2023

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager and Members Ruth E. Koehler and Ralph E. Mannix, Jr.

Commissioner Koehler attended Fair Board meeting. Commissioner Sager went to City Planning and Airport Board meeting.

Ann O'Toole, Pam Reighard, and Susan Dumont came in to discuss budgeting. Ruth will contact Nancy Everson about in-house budget training. Todd Watkins will come over to help and DOA will be offering some training. Susan will reach out to another county as well.

Discussion about inventorying all county property by department.

Karen Laitala came in to discuss payment for repair of phone line.

Commissioner Sager attended Airport Board meeting.

Thursday May 4th, Commissioner Koehler participated in a Zoom meeting with SWMTJDB.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 16, 2023

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager and Members Ruth E. Koehler and Ralph E. Mannix, Jr.

Claims against the County were examined, approved and ordered paid by the Board of Commissioners for the month of May 2023, warrant #69693 - #69784 were issued and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

Milwaukee Roundhouse update with Great West Engineering, DEQ, DNRC, and Amanda Cooley. Payne West renewal with Rody Holman, Sharon Chamberlin, and Susan Dumont. Ruth will get property schedules to start a full county inventory of properties and vehicles.

Cindy Perdue-Dolan stopped in.

A group of Helmsville residents stopped in.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 17, 2023

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager and Members Ruth E. Koehler and Ralph E. Mannix, Jr.

Commissioner Sager attended Landfill Board meeting.

Kelley Knight, Deputy Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

Rob Roberts gave an update on the Tramway Creek Mining complex various sites clean-up, and finding a repository for materials. Hans Oaks discussed funding a clean-up of the debris piles. Others in attendance Kathy Bushnell, and Amanda Cooley.

Kyla Johnson with the Airport Board came in with a letter to the MDT Aeronautics Division to ask the county to ask for an extension on grant funds to leverage sponsor match funds.

Mike Mahoney and Mike Doyle were in on Behalf of the Deer Lodge Athletic Association Track and Football Field project. Pursuing funding for the start-up.

Ron Mjelde and Lewis Smith were in to discuss landfill issues and pay increases.

Gavin Roselles came in for a visit.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 30, 2023

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager by phone and Members Ruth E. Koehler and Ralph E. Mannix, Jr.

The drawing of salary warrants #23985 - #24000 for Officers, Deputies, Foremen, Clerks and Appointees from various accounts for the month of May 2023, were approved and a record of such is on file in the office of the Clerk and Recorder.

Sheriff Roselles stopped in.

Members from OSI were supposed to be on the agenda stopped in to discuss Hoover Creek Road. They want a legal description for the road and what part the county repairs and maintains. They were informed that Hoover Creek ends at property line of OSI and the county maintains to Miller Lake.

John Senecal called about Elliston dump.

Ted Devol was in to talk about alleged voter fraud.

Commissioner Koehler presented the estimate for the Willow Bridge. Commissioner Mannix moved and Commissioner Sager seconded the motion to accept the gravel option vs the asphalt. Motion carried.

Austin Micu and Gavin Roselles were in to discuss contract negotiations.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Jody Walker, Clerk & Recorder

Deer Lodge, Montana

May 31, 2023

The Board of Commissioners for Powell County, Montana, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock A.M. Present: Presiding Officer Daniel G. Sager by phone and Members Ruth E. Koehler and Ralph E. Mannix, Jr.

Melissa Gallagher was in to talk about alcohol dollars, also in attendance was Gavin Roselles, Pam Reighard, Kathryn McEnery, and Luke Ulatowski (Silver State Post). Melissa wants to use Starr Addiction and Counseling from Missoula to provide alcohol services. County Attorney McEnery stated that our previous contract is void and we can contract with Starr Addiction Services. Melissa will send Starr the forms for services to make sure they are approved provider. Starr offers tele classes, some with fee reductions and possible local events if funding allows.

Jackie Greenwood, John Greenwood, Jordan Green and Sheriff Roselles were in to discuss the use of Roundup around the skate park. The Commissioners will follow up with Trent Freeman and Karen Laitala.

Cathy Johnson from the Soil Conservation District was in to discuss getting permissive mill levy money they have had in the past. Ruth will contact Ann O'Toole to see what happened.

Jody Walker, Clerk and Recorder, presented the correspondence.

On motion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

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Dan Sager, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

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